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PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Marital status: Married
- Nationality: Ghanaian by birth
- Date of Birth: January 11th 1973
- Place of Birth: Ghana, Accra

CAREER OBJECTIVE

My professional desire is to translate psychological theories, principles and empirical research findings on human learning, behaviour and cognition that have application and implications for effective and efficient teaching and learning into practice in the classroom. This is basically aimed at promoting and enhancing the ability of learners to maximize their learning experiences within and without the classroom setting. The issue of school peer relationship problems among learners and interpersonal aggression and violence on campus are also of interest to me, particularly how these issues affect students' learning and schooling.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

| INSTITUTION | YEAR | ACADEMIC CERTIFICATE AWARDED |
|---|-------------|---------------------------------|
| University of Cape Coast | 2002 - 2005 | MPhil. Educational Psychology |
| University of Cape Coast | 1997 - 2000 | Bachelor's Degree, Educ. Psych. |
| African Virtual University (U.C.C. Campus) | 1999 - 2000 | Certificate in Computer Science |
| Private Candidate | 1995 - 1997 | G. C. E. Advanced Level |
| Kibi Training College | 1992 - 1995 | Teacher's Certificate "A" |
| St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School | 1987 - 1992 | G. C. E. Ordinary Level |

**OFFICES HELD AT SCHOOL
INSTITUTION**

| INSTITUTION | OFFICE HELD | YEAR |
|--------------------------|---|-------------|
| University of Cape Coast | National President , Graduate Students Assoc. of Ghana | 2003 - 2004 |
| University of Cape Coast | Member , National Executive Committee, NUGS | 2003 - 2004 |
| University of Cape Coast | West Africa Coordinator , International Psych. Students' Organ | 2001 - 2004 |
| University of Cape Coast | President , "Education Students' Association of Ghana" | 1999 - 2000 |

**EMPLOYMENT
EMPLOYER**

| EMPLOYER | DATE | STATUS |
|--|---------------------|---|
| University of Education | Oct. 2005 - to Date | Lecturer |
| University of Education, Winneba, Kumasi Campus | 2000 - Sept 2005 | Teaching Assistant |
| Ghana Education Service | 1995 - 1997 | Teacher , Certificate "A" |
| Ghana Education Service | 1997 - 2000 | Assistant Superintendent - On study Leave |

WORKING EXPERIENCE

- Lectures in introductory courses in Psychology
- Two year teaching assistantship in Educational Psychology and Guidance and Counselling at the University of Education, Winneba, Kumasi Campus.
- Two years (full time) pre-tertiary teaching (1995-1997)

AREAS OF TEACHING SPECIALTY

- Educational Psychology
- General Methods and Principles of Teaching
- Introduction to Guidance and Counselling
- Introduction to Special Education
- Psychology of Learning and Instruction

SOFTWARE EXPERIENCE & RESEARCH SKILL

- Windows XP, Word Proficiency/ Processing
- Quantitative Research Skills

EXTENSION SERVICES

- Assistant to the Coordinator, Centre for Teacher Development and Action Research, Kumasi Campus
- Patron, Pentecost Students and Associates (PENSA), on COLTEK campus
- Member, Departmental Strategic Plan Implementation Committee
- Member, Department Committee on TALIF Proposal Writing

PUBLICATIONS

- **Owusu-Banahene, N. O. (2001).** *The impact of custom and tradition in educating the female child in sub-Saharan Africa. The case of Ghana.* (ERIC_NO: ED460325) [Paper presented at the XXVII ICP 2000 in Sweden in July 2000].
- **Amedahe, F. K. & Owusu-Banahene, N. O. (2007).** Sex Difference in the Forms of Aggression among Ghanaian Adolescent Students, *Research in Education, 73, 80 - 92*

MANUSCRIPT UNDER PEER REVIEW

- Amedahe, F. K. & **Owusu-Banahene, N. O.** *Adolescent students' beliefs about aggression and its association with their level of aggression: A study of senior secondary school students in Ghana.*
- Taylor, M. E. & **Owusu-Banahene, N. O.** *Gender Differences in the Sources and Levels of Stress among Sandwich Students, College of Technology Education, Kumasi.*
- Taylor, M. E. & **Owusu-Banahene, N. O.** *Stress among Part-Time Business Students in a University.*
- **Owusu-Banahene, N. O.** *Classroom Disruptive Behaviors among Ghanaian Junior High Students.*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- American Psychological Association (APA), **International Affiliate** Registration Number **07005146**
- International Psychology Students' Organization (IPSO), Founding Member and West Africa Coordinator for IPSO

INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

- Reading, Writing and Listening to Music

REFEREES

- Prof. James Adu Opare
Dean, Faculty of Education
University of Cape Coast, University Post Office,
Cape Coast, Ghana.
- Prof. Fancis K. Amedahe
Educational Foundation Department
University of Cape Coast, University Post Office
Cape Coast, Ghana.
- Ethel Margaret Taylor (Mrs.)
Dean, Faculty of Business Education
College of Technology Education
University of Education, Winneba
Kumasi, Ghana.